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In re the Application of:) Group Art Unit: 2828
Kodeda et al) Examiner: Flores Ruiz, Delma R.
Serial No.: 09/510,666)
Filed: February 22, 2000)
For: AN OPTICAL ELEMENT HOLDING)
AND EXTRACTION DEVICE)

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DE3718467

An untranslated DE '467 patent and an English abstract thereof are enclosed. The DE '467 patent was cited in a European Search Report (copy attached) which issued in EP 01104173, which corresponds to the U.S. application serial number 09/511,648, entitled "Adjustable Mounting for an Optical Element of a Gas Laser." (item AZ)

EP0456875

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JP2250383

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JP05152643

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FR2698496

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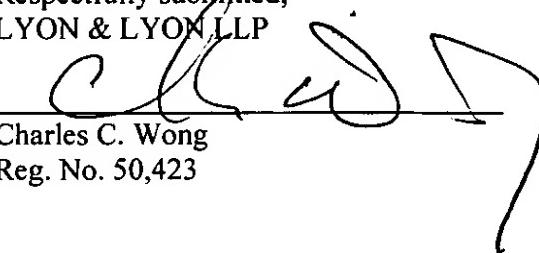
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